

House Resolution No. 1452

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives take tremendous pleasure in recognizing those governmental employees who have brought honor to the Show-Me State through their professionalism and willingness to intervene in life-threatening situations; and

Whereas, Corrections Officer II Derek Weaver of Fulton, Missouri, will be awarded the Missouri Department of Corrections Lifesaver Award during ceremonies to be held on March 25, 2005; and

Whereas, on August 20, 2004, Sergeant Weaver and another officer of Algoa Correctional Center in Jefferson City were transporting an offender to Northeast Correction Center in Bowling Green when the offender began choking and was unable to breathe; and

Whereas, Sergeant Weaver pulled the offender out of the vehicle and turned him on his side, causing the unknown object to fall from the inmates mouth, allowing him to breath normally once again; and

Whereas, Derek Weaver's dedication to his profession, his ability to remain calm in a stressful situation, and his competence to react with sound judgement utilizing skills learned in Department training helped save the life of the offender; and

Whereas, initially hired by the Department of Corrections on March 12, 2000, Sergeant Weaver is a graduate of Fulton High School who attended Ashworth Community College; and

Whereas, Derek Weaver has been blessed with the love and support of a wonderful family whose members include his wife, Heather, and two children, Alexis and Kayla:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the training and practices of Derek Weaver and to congratulate him upon his well-deserved selection to receive the Department of Corrections Lifesaver Award; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Corrections Officer Derek Weaver, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by _____
Representative Danie Moore
District No. 20

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1452, adopted March 29, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker